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Addendum

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Chapter _____

INDUSTRIAL AND CONSTRUCTION STATISTICS

(Agenda item 7)

1. The Commission considered item 7 of its agenda at the 483rd meeting, on 11 February 1997. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the revised international recommendations for construction statistics (E/CN.3/1997/9);

(b) Draft revised international recommendations for construction statistics (PROV/ST/ESA/STAT/SER.M/47/Rev.1).

The Commission heard an oral report of the Task Force on Industrial and Construction Statistics, presented by the Convener, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.

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Action taken by the Commission

2. The Commission:

(a) Endorsed the work carried out by the Task Force on Industrial and Construction Statistics and agreed that the Task Force had largely accomplished its goals and should therefore be discontinued;

(b) Recommended that the draft revised international recommendations for construction statistics be:

(i) More closely harmonized with the 1993 System of National Accounts (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.F/2/Rev.4)[1] in terms of, for example, statistical units (enterprises, ancillary units) and valuation (basic prices versus producer prices);

(ii) Published as part of the collection of United Nations manuals.

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[1] United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.XVII.4.